

A Work Session Meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of April 2017.

Present were Councilmen Barks, Carsrud, Kuntz, Lundvall, McGrath, Montgomery, and Mayor Carter-King; Administrator Napier; Attorneys Davidson and Reyes, Directors Boger, Glover, Hamilton, Pitlick and Wilde; Lt. Deaton; Managers Palazzari and Davidsmeier; and City Clerk Abelseth.

### **Warm Up Items**

Councilman Barks reminded the public of the upcoming Trash-A-Thon on May 6<sup>th</sup> and suggested that the Council meet on Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. He will locate a meeting place and notify the group at a later date.

### **Agency Funding Requests**

- **Council of Community Services**

Mikel Smith provided an overview of the Council of Community Services' programs and information with respect to the funding request of \$71,000 for FY17/18. General discussion ensued with regard to monies already given to the Council of Community Services during the current and previous fiscal years.

- **Campbell County Senior Center**

Ann Rossi provided information regarding the amended funding request of \$278,000 for FY17/18. She also is requesting a vehicle from the City of Gillette's fleet that would replace the current vehicle that is used for the Meals on Wheels program. Attorney Davidson reported that municipalities are forbidden from giving assets to non-profits. He suggested that a leasing program could be looked at, however, the Senior Center would be responsible for the maintenance of the vehicle and insurance. General discussion ensued. After the discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to authorize staff to begin process of a lease program with the Senior Center, with the caveat that the maintenance and insurance for the vehicle are the Senior Center's responsibility.

- **Predator Board**

Kenda Ford and Kyle Innes provided an overview of the Predator Board's history, programs and information regarding the funding request of \$30,000 for FY17/18. She reported, due to funding decreases, the Predator Board can only offer skunk control. General discussion ensued.

- **NE Wyoming Growth Alliance**

Phil Christopherson provided an overview of NE Wyoming Growth Alliance's budget and project status report, and information with respect to the funding request of \$50,000 for FY17/18. General discussion ensued.

- **College Funding Request**

Mark Englert provided an overview of Gillette College's challenges and accomplishments, and information regarding the amended request of \$485,000. Mr. Englert spoke of the preliminary budget he received, and the \$700,000 reduction in funds. To address this deficit, he has reduced Gillette College's budget by \$150,000, asked the Northern Wyoming College District for an additional \$150,000, as well as the County Commissioners for \$150,000 and the City Council for \$150,000; this totals \$600,000 of the \$700,000 shortfall. General discussion ensued. Dave Allison spoke to the Council. He stated his services were hindered due to the City's budget cuts (snow removal) and feels the College should look at unnecessary programs that could be removed.

### **College Mowing Memorandum of Understanding Discussion**

Administrator Napier stated that the impetus behind the MOU proposal is to clear-up the understanding between the City and the College with regard to maintenance aspects of certain right-of-ways and medians on W. Sinclair Street. Director Wilde explained the current irrigation system and the proposal to transfer the irrigation system to the college. Mr. Napier proposed that the City take over the maintenance for the medians in Sinclair Street as City crews are already in the area performing median maintenance. General discussion ensued. Mr. Napier clarified that there is an operational aspect and a capital aspect; this discussion is for the operational aspect. The capital aspect will be addressed at the April 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### **Review April 18th Council Agenda**

The group discussed the upcoming agenda items.

**Executive Session**

Councilman McGrath made a motion to move into an Executive Session to discuss personnel and litigation; seconded by Councilman Carsrud. All voted aye. The motion carried.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m. An audio recording of this meeting is available in the City Clerk's Office.

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Karlene Abelseth, City Clerk  
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Louise Carter-King, Mayor